

Longleaze Primary School

Procedures for Wearing Jewellery during PE Lessons

The Department for Education (DfE) states that schools can insist that children remove items of jewellery for physical education (PE) lessons.

All jewellery is to be removed during PE, with the exception of bracelets worn for religious reasons that cannot be removed. These bracelets will be covered with a sweatband and secured by tape. The removed jewellery, including watches, will be placed in the valuables box for safe keeping. School staff cannot be held responsible for any jewellery that is removed by a child and subsequently goes missing. Children wearing medical ID should hand them to the teacher to carry them whilst at the place of activity. Long hair should also be tied back.

Those children who require personal effects, such as hearing aids or spectacles, in order to take part in PE, will be allowed to do so, under supervision of the staff in charge.

If earrings cannot be removed, the adult in charge should take action to make the situation safe (e.g. taping over ear studs, adjusting the activity for the individual child or group). If the situation cannot be made safe, the individual child should not actively participate.

Staff must not remove or replace earrings. They cannot be responsible for the consequences of removing or replacing earrings.

For further guidance, refer to BAALPE (British Association of Advisors and Lecturers in Physical Education).